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Rome awards contract to Ithaca firm for JBI Technology

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ROME, N.Y. — The Air Force Research Laboratory Information Directorate has awarded a \$237,068 contract to Reliable Network Solutions LLC of Ithaca for technology to support the Joint Battlespace Infosphere (JBI) program. The six-month agreement, “Astrolabe/Mariner (A/M): Scalable Infrastructure Joint Battlespace Infosphere Communications and Management,” focuses on applying the company’s A/M software to the JBI concept.

“Astrolabe/Mariner is a product of Reliable Network Solutions that has been employed in numerous high-level commer-

cial applications,” said Capt. Jason M. Quigley, program manager in the directorate’s JBI Office. “We are looking at the applicability of the product to implement prototype JBI capability,” said Quigley. “The software would facilitate the exchange of information between specified users of the JBI.”

The JBI is envisioned to provide tomorrow’s warfighters with the most accurate, timely and concise information possible. It will be a “system of systems” that integrates, aggregates and distributes information to users at all echelons, from the command center to the battlefield. @